

**IN THE TRIBAL COURT
SANTA ANA PUEBLO
STATE OF NEW MEXICO**

IN THE MATTER OF GUARDIANSHIP OF:

DATE(S) OF BIRTH: _____

Minor Child(ren)

Cause No: _____

PETITION FOR GUARDIANSHIP

I. JURISDICTION

- 1. I am the Petitioner in this cause, and am appearing in this Court *pro se*. My mailing address is _____ . I am an enrolled member of Santa Ana Pueblo. My Certificate of Indian blood is attached as *Exhibit A*.**
- 2. The minor child(ren) named above are enrolled member(s) of Santa Ana Pueblo, and currently reside at: _____ . The Certificate of Indian Blood for each minor child involved herein is attached as *Exhibit B*.**

II. FACTS

(Check all that apply)

- 3. I am () married, () single, () divorced, () widowed. I live () alone, () with: _____ .**
- 4. The minor child(ren) for whom I seek custody is (are):**

Name:	CIB:	Date of Birth:
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
- 5. The minor child(ren) listed above reside at: _____ .**

6. The child(ren) () reside () do not reside with me.

7. I would like to be appointed guardian for the above-named child(ren) because:

8. I meet all of the requirements for guardianship under tribal law.

9. It is in the best interest of the child(ren) that I be appointed guardian.

CHECK ONE:

10. () The natural parent(s) or legal guardian(s) consent to this guardianship request.

I have attached a Consent to Guardianship by the natural parent (s) or legal guardian(s), which I have attached as *Exhibit C*.

10. () I have not attached a Consent to Guardianship because: _____

CHECK ONE:

11. () I request that the Social Service Department of Santa Ana Pueblo conduct a social investigation of my home environment to determine my fitness for custody of the child(ren) and the fitness of my home for the purpose of having the child(ren) placed there.

11. () I request that this Court waive the required home study for the following reasons: _____

III. PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Petitioner requests the following relief:

- a. A finding that the Court has jurisdiction over this cause of action:**
- b. () An order to the Social Services Department of Santa Ana Pueblo to perform the required home study.**
- c. () An Order waiving the required home study.**
- d. () An Order granting me guardianship over the above-named child(ren).**
- e. () A hearing for the purpose of appointing me as guardian over the above-named minor child(ren)**

Respectfully submitted this _____ day of _____ 20____.

Petitioner *pro se*
Printed Name:_____
Address:_____

Telephone:_____